

AGENDA

EPA Coordination Meeting

November 13, 2014 : 9:00 am - 11:00 pm

ICF INTERNATIONAL | 630 K Street, Suite 400, Sacramento CA 95814

I. Introductions:

II. Meeting Goals:

- Confirm we all understand the comment & the perspectives of DWR/ICF, lead feds and EPA to the extent that they are similar, different, or the same.
- Identify if the comment/issue will be addressed and resolved in the supplemental or final or not at all (if we agree to disagree).
- If the comment will be addressed, we should identify and agree on how it will be addressed.
- Identify a follow-up period for comments that will be addressed so we ensure that we move forward without surprises.

III. Presentation by CH2 and RBI –

- Update on new modeling
- Proposed next steps

IV. Discussion of EPA Concerns

- Was any additional modeling and/or analysis conducted by the lead agencies?
- EPA concern that modeling shows persistent violations of water quality standards in the Delta related to salinity and chloride.
- EPA concern that project would worsen water quality for users who divert water directly from the Delta, including increasing bromide around the North Bay Aqueduct intake at Barker Sl.

- EPA concerned that DEIS does not report compliance with flow-related D-1641 objectives.
- EPA concerned that DEIS does not explain why higher outflows result in higher salinity concentrations for Alternative 8 relative to Alternative 7.
- EPA is concerned about how the Rio Vista minimum flows will be met and how the State Board's current process for revisions to the WQCP has been integrated into the BDCP.
- What mitigation measures are available to mitigate to avoid impacts?
- Will all WQ objectives be evaluated?

V. Wrap-Up and Next Steps